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Honorable Peter W. Rodino, Jr. Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have been asked to reply to your letter of March 19 to the Secretary of State asking for views on H.R. 1311, a bill "Relating to intervening in and influencing the political affairs of foreign countries or political subdivisions thereof".

The Department of State has no objection to enactment of H.R. 1311.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

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